

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 10, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 1 as follows:

--Figure 2 depicts a flowchart of an intermediate unlocking of an electronic device. In step 2 the device is in a default key-locked state, like usually a mobile telephone carried in a pocket is. In step 46, the electronic device receives an input, e.g. from the telephone keyboard. In step 8 the input is checked for unlocking sequences. The input is preferably buffered before the checking, so that the entire input sequence can be written into a buffer before checking the input for (intermediate) unlocking sequences. If no unlocking sequence is found, the device returns to or stays in the locked state 2. If a general unlocking sequence is recognised, the general unlock is activated (not shown) until the general key-lock sequence is entered. If the checking operation 8 recognises a sequences of key-presses for intermediate unlocking of the electronic device, the electronic device enters the intermediate unlocked state 12. In the state 12 the device can receive different user input within predetermined limits. The limit can be e.g. the number of executable actions, operations or change of settings or the like. In the state 12, following to every input, it is checked 14, if the user operation has ended. If the user operation has not ended, the device returns in to the state of limited access 12. If the user operation has ended, the device is automatically locked and returns in to the locked state 2.--